

## THE WIDE-AWAKE CIRCLE

Boys' and Girls' Department.

Rules for Young Writers.

- 1.—Write plainly on one side of the paper only, and number the pages.
- 2.—Use pen and ink, not pencil.
- 3.—Short and pointed articles will be given preference. Do not use over 125 words.
- 4.—Original stories or letters only will be used.
- 5.—Write your name, age and address plainly at the bottom of the story.

## WIDE-AWAKE POETRY

**ALONE.**

O joy of life! O fire of heart!  
O true love with your waving hair!  
Long and dusky waving tresses,  
And eyes of deepest, darkest blue  
That shine with light of holiness,  
And cheeks that come from damask rose,  
So soft and smooth and fair like bloom,  
O lips that kiss, turn the souls  
Of men into a fire of love!  
Joy of my heart with your beauty and  
Grace.

Down to be queen and ruler of men!  
With voice whose liquid melody  
Is fainter than the nightingale.  
O love! O light! O happiness!  
O joy! to have one's aching heart  
In the music of that voice!  
And the love-light of her eyes!  
But O! to kiss those honeyed lips  
Is pain to soothe the deepest grief.  
A soothing balm to quell all life.  
—Martha Penelope Blake.

## UNCLE JED'S TALK TO WIDE-AWAKES.

Now that school has opened it brings you back to the happy reunions following a long, and probably much enjoyed vacation. It is a time when all should be eager to get back to your studies, back to the happy associations that go with schooldays and back to the work that is involved. The long vacation has provided much time for play, but it cannot fail to have made you realize that you are all looking forward to the years to come when you will follow in the footsteps of those who are older and in turn assume constantly increasing responsibilities.

Such being the case you cannot fail to realize that there must be proper preparation. It is necessary to be fitted for the greater tasks of life through a good education. Such is the opportunity that is now before each and every boy and girl of school age. It is something to appreciate and make the most of. The boys and girls of all countries do not get the educational advantages that you do and it is often because they involve no great struggle to get them that they are highly valued until the time of awakening comes after it is too late to make up for lost or wasted time.

When you enter into your games and sports you like to be and you strive to be among the winners. There is even greater reason why you should do likewise in your studies. You will need all the help you can get from school in tackling the many problems in the battle of life.

## WINNERS OF PRIZE BOOKS.

1.—Ida Lifshitz, of Unanville—Grace Harkness with U. S. Troops in the Argentine.

2.—Dorothy Malcolm, of Norwich—The Camille Girls Go Motoring.

3.—Edith Anderson, of Brooklyn—The Girls of Central High Afloat the Red Cross.

4.—Ester Resnik, of Tantic—Boy Volunteers With the British Artillery.

Winners of prize books can obtain them by calling at The Bulletin business office after 10 a. m. Thursday morning.

## LETTERS OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Dorothy Church, of Montville—I received and read your prize book, entitled "Bunny Brown and Sister Sue at Aunt Let's City Home," and found it very interesting. Thanking you very much.

Helen Greene, of Plainfield—I wish to thank you for the prize book you sent me entitled "Uncle Wiggly's Automobile." I know I will enjoy reading it.

## LETTERS WRITTEN BY WIDE-AWAKES.

**My Trip to Ocean Beach.**

One day my friends and myself decided to go to Ocean Beach. We decided to go the next day. We all wanted to take lunch along and spend the day there. The day proved to be fine and we had decided that one should bring cake, another friend of mine should bring butter sandwiches, the next one jam sandwiches, and the last two should bring candy and cookies. I was going to bring lettuce and egg sandwiches.

We hired a jitney and went to Ocean Beach. It was about eleven o'clock when we got there. We hired bathrooms and went to our bathing suits and went in for a swim. We swam over to the left and dived off the spring board. About one o'clock we ate our lunch and we went in an ice cream parlor and had some cream.

After we finished our lunch we went to another swim. We laid down the sheet-the-shute and into the water. We had a fine time. Then we went for a trip around the lighthouse. I hired a canoe and went paddling with another girl. All of a sudden the canoe tipped over and we fell into the water. We had our bathing suits on so we didn't care. We were out for far so we swam after the canoe and came ashore. It was about two o'clock and we decided to go home. We dressed and got ready to go but the machines did not come after us. We waited for about 30 minutes and then we took a car and went to Montville. We worked around but we did not see any sign. Just as a jitney came up it began to thunder and lightning and the rain came down in torrents. We jumped in the auto and were glad to get home, but nevertheless we had a good time.

IDA LIFSHITZ, Unanville.

## Now I Am Spending My Vacation.

I am spending my vacation in the country. There are some cows and a little calf named Blossom. The mother of Blossom is named Canary. All the cows are black and white.

I feed the hens and chickens. At 4 o'clock I go after the cows. Sometimes feed the calf his milk.

There are two kittens and a black cat. I am spending the summer with my grandmother and grandpa. I like to help my grandmother very much.

THELMA HOADLEY, Age 14, Putnam.

## A Brave Confession.

Early one morning Jane took her basket and lunch and started to take a walk through the woods, as it was too early to go to school. She hated arithmetic and nobody could induce her to study.

On her way through the woods she felt a thrill and expected something marvelous to happen. Somebody was at her favorite place before her. "Who could it be?" she thought. "What is that queer big wooden thing near him?" As she was a very inquisitive girl she went near to the man and discovered that he was painting a beautiful picture. She was watching him a few moments when he turned his back and was surprised to see somebody else was watching him.

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ESTHER RESNIK, Age 12, Tantic.

**Down at Savin Rock.**

Dear Uncle Jed: I am going to tell you about my trip to Savin Rock, New Haven, Conn., on Aug. 29. We spent Saturday in New Haven and Sunday we went to Savin Rock and attended the second reunion of Battery D, 5th Regiment, of which my daddy is a member. The boys all met in the park, coming from all directions. Some came by auto and others by train. Every time we heard someone say "Well, let's have some more fellows had come. They all went together and had their shore dinner. After dinner the boys held a meeting to discuss about next year's reunion.

**Dorothy Malcolm, Age 12, Norwich.**

A week ago Sunday our family motored to "Rock" around 8 p. m., after a delightful day, we went to Oakland Beach.

My sister and friends were spending a week there, and had invited me to go with them.

As there was no room in their car for me, I was obliged to go with my own folks the following day, but I didn't care in the least. My folks had to go home immediately.

Well, I shall now tell you everything I did during the week.

**Mal in France.**

One day a lot of about 16 years was seen running across a field in France. After he had jumped the wall tea Germans came running after him. His name was Hal. When he had crossed the wall he came upon the body of a dead German with rifle and bullets. Hal picked up the rifle which was loaded and had back of the wall to wait till the Germans came up. It didn't take them long to show up. When they were about to get over the wall a shot was fired and the leader fell, shot through the head. Three more shots were fired by Hal and the Germans went across that field like lightning, yelling "The French are coming, run for your life." And so Hal went and joined the army and told the soldiers how he scared the Hun.

EDMOND TRUDEL, Age 11, Tattville.

**CHESTERFIELD**

he darts given in the Eureka Social club was well attended and a good sum was collected.

Miss Ruth Mager from Fall River is a visitor at John R. Kaplan's.

Miss Ruth Morgan has returned from Amherst, Mass., having visited relatives there.

Lula and Anna Powers have returned from Stonington, where they were visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Bousa.

Misses Beattie and Becky Miller and Sarah Levitt were callers at Ocean Beach Sunday.

Abraham Savin returned from New York recently.

The Twelfth district school opened with William Cooper has returned to New York after spending his vacation at A. Miller's.

**Now Arthur Became King.**

Dear Uncle Jed: Did you ever hear the story of how Arthur became king? Once upon a time there lived in Britain a great king named Uther. When he died, his son, King Uther, had a son who was secretly sent to a good knight to be brought up. The boy's name was Arthur. Arthur, knowing nothing of King Uther, believed that his father was his father and loved him dearly.

**Uncle Arthur's Story.**

Uther's throne the archbishop of Canterbury at Christmas called the nobles together in a splendid church. Suddenly there rose in the church yard a great sword, shining like a star. In the sword was a shining sword; in the sword in letters of gold stood these quaint words, "Who so pulleth out this sword from the stone, he shall be king of all England." When they all heard this every lord tried to pull out the sword. Not one could move it. A day was set for a second trial. Splendid games and contests were planned and to these games came Sir Kay; his real son, Sir Kay, and Arthur.

Sir Kay desired to enter the contest, but he had forgotten his sword. Arthur offered to ride back for it. When he reached the castle where Sir Kay had left it he could not get in; everyone had gone to London for the games. It was then that Arthur remembered seeing a sword in a church yard as he was riding by. He hurried to get it. So there it was, a great sword in an anvil, resting on a stone. Arthur seized the sword, drew it forth without trouble, and at full speed, rode with it to Sir Kay.

When Sir Kay learned that Arthur had brought the sword, he commanded him to return to the church yard and to take out the sword in his presence. This was done. But when the archbishop of Canterbury heard what had happened he ordered the sword to be put back again.

Knights, kings and princes, lords and nobles, came from far and near. Each tried with all their might to release the sword. It would not stir. Then Arthur came. At the touch of his hand the sword leaped from the stone. Still the lords were not satisfied. They demanded another trial and after that, others. Each time Arthur alone could remove the sword.

At the last trial the common people also were present. When Arthur drew forth the sword and raised it aloft they shouted and called him king and declared that they would fight any lord who refused to obey him.

So Arthur became king of Britain. GECILIA L. CARPENTER, Age 14, North Windham.



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Size 7 ft. 6 x 9 ft., at \$26.75, value \$31.50  
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Size 8 x 12 feet, at \$41.50, value \$48.00

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Estimates will be cheerfully given upon all kinds of home decorative work—Floor Coverings, Curtains, Window Shades, Draperies, Etc. Competent men will take measurements and the work can be done at your convenience—at lowest possible cost.

## POETRY

**OLD TREES.**

I have loved gardens tapestried with bloom.  
In patterns of warm color and perfume  
Gardens to which a poet might have brought  
The fragrant inspiration of his thought  
And poured his feelings where I could breathe it yet  
From tree geranium and mignonette.  
Yet I forgot the intimate spell of these  
In the enchantment of the trees—old trees.

I have loved many a meadow, daisy-pied—  
Childhood's Elysium in the summer-ide—  
And made a little song about a star  
That is no lovelier than the daisies are.  
But when young maple leaves turned, one by one,  
Their shimmering silver linings to the sun,  
I joyously renounced all other ecstasies  
In the keen rapture of the trees—old trees.

I have loved sloping hill-sides, when May came  
With waxen rhododendron, and the flame  
Of scarlet columbine and nodding plums;  
With young green on the brier and new bloom;  
Then August where one great tansiee chestnut stood,  
A towering sentinel to guard the wood.  
And knew I loved it more than all of these.  
Because one must look upward to old trees.

Mary Brent Whiteside, in Harper's Magazine.

**BOOST.**

Boost your city, boost your friend;  
Boost the lodge that you attend.  
Boost the street on which you dwell;  
Boost the good that you are selling;  
Boost the people round about you;  
They can get along without you;  
But success will never find them  
If they know that you're behind them.

Boost for every forward movement,  
Boost for every new improvement;  
Boost the man for whom you labor,  
Boost the stranger and the neighbor.  
'Cause to be a "Yankee" booster  
'Cause to be a progress blocker;  
If you'd make your city better,  
Boost it to the final better.

—Exchange.

## HUMOR OF THE DAY

Redd—"That's an old golf course of yours, isn't it?"

Green—"Why, no, it's comparative new."

"When was it laid out?"

"About 1917."

"Are you sure?"

"Oh, yes, positive."

"Why, I heard a man say the other day that he went around it in '20," Yonkers Statesman.

"Here is a charge for a call lasting half an hour on our telephone," said the lawyer to his wife.

"Yes, dear. That was my call. I was asking a friend of mine a question," replied the wife.

"And did it take half an hour to ask a question?"

"Yes, dear. You see, it was one of these hypothetical questions—Houston Post.

Wife (discouraged)—"Why is it that our cooks always become so discontented and irritable?"

Husband—"Because, easily explained. They have to eat their own dinner and get dyspepsia."—Boston Transcript.

"You didn't seem to enjoy the volunteer charity concert we held the other evening, thought you were fond of music?"

"That's why I didn't enjoy the volunteer concert."—Baltimore American.

He—Blinks of the R. A. F. has fallen into a nice little bit of property.

She—From an aeroplane or from a railway?—Pittsburgh Courier.

Mr. Goodrich—Her son really surprised me; he doesn't look 23, does he?

Miss Knapp—Not now, but I suppose she did once—London Answers.

Yeast—You know any piece of machinery is helped by resting.

Goodness—Yes, goodness right. I've noticed that my watch runs better after I've got it out of the box—Yonkers Statesman.

The Patron—I think this bill is rather high.

The Waiter—Indeed, sir?

"Very high. Today's paper says meat is coming down."

"I-I-I know, sir, but you see—you see—we are still serving last week's meat."—Youngstown Telegram.

"Why don't you go out before your people and tell them you have earned this great office and you want it because you are entitled to it?"

"That procedure," rejoined Senator Sarghram, "could be extremely amateurish. It's a political politician, think of accepting public responsibility excepting with reluctance and as a great favor to his fellow-man."—Washington Star.

"Has your son come home from college yet?"

"I imagine so. I haven't seen my car for the past two weeks."—Life.

"I see where a college professor advertises for a job that will pay him a living wage."

"Does he say what he can do?"

"No, but he says he can do it. He'll give him a chance he will forget that he studied abroad and got a string of degrees."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

## KALEIDOSCOPE

Mary Pickford the motion picture actress, is said to receive an average of 15,000 letters a week.

A record probably without parallel is that of Stanislas Wiscinski, thirty years has served on the board of education of Philadelphia.

The young king of Siam speaks English, French and German, and has written books in all these languages as well as in Siamese.

There are records of snuff having been used in the West Indies and elsewhere long before the introduction of tobacco to Europe.

Bricks are the most durable of building material. The British museum contains some of the oldest bricks from Nineveh and Babylon.

In Geneva glass blocks are used to pave the streets. They are made of the refuse factories. They are pleasant to the eye and very durable.

General Scott, Wing standard bearer in 1852, was the first to disregard the tradition that a candidate for the presidency should not deliver speeches in his own behalf.

More than 400 beautiful specimens showing the development of the art of fan-making in the last three centuries were entered in an exposition of fans held recently in Madrid.

An Afghan nobleman sent to Europe for a grand piano, and on its arrival had all the lower part of it cut off, as he found it most convenient to play it while squatting on the floor.

A widely known justice in London confesses that he has never seen a motion picture show, while a brother jurist declares he has never used a telephone or ridden in a subway train.

Seaweed, though not the diet of an epicure, is, when dry, richer than oatmeal or Indian corn in nitrogenous constituents, and takes rank among the most nutritious of vegetable foods.

The dog depends largely on his sense of smell, and in order that that faculty "whatever is the trouble?" cried the must be moist all the time. As the moisture continues to evaporate the nose feels cold to the touch.

Best sugar acreage in Canada in 1919 was 24,300, and the average yield an acre 9.83 tons, compared with 18,000 acres and an average yield of more than eleven tons in 1918. The 1919 crop sold at the factories for \$2,257,715, or \$12.31 a ton.